

Article - Alcoholic Beverages

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§25–202.

(a) The County Executive shall appoint five members to the Board, subject to confirmation by the County Council.

(b) (1) Each member of the Board shall be a registered voter of the county.

(2) Not more than three members of the Board may be members of the same political party.

(c) (1) In this subsection, “direct or indirect interest” means an interest that is proprietary or obtained by a loan, mortgage, or lien or in any other manner.

(2) A member of the Board may not:

(i) have a direct or indirect interest in or on a premises where alcoholic beverages are manufactured or sold;

(ii) have a direct or indirect interest in a business wholly or partly devoted to the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages;

(iii) own stock in:

1. a corporation that has a direct or indirect interest in a premises where alcoholic beverages are manufactured or sold; or

2. a business wholly or partly devoted to the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages;

(iv) hold any other public office, including federal, State, or local office; or

(v) solicit or receive, directly or indirectly, a commission, remuneration, or gift from:

1. a person engaged in the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages or an agent or employee of the person; or

2. a license holder.

(3) (i) Subject to the Montgomery County public ethics law and subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, a member of the Board may be an employee of the federal, State, or local government.

(ii) A member of the Board may not be an employee of the County Alcohol Beverage Services.

(d) (1) The term of a member is 4 years.

(2) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Board on July 1, 2016.

(e) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(f) With the approval of the County Council, the County Executive may remove a member for misconduct in office, incompetence, or willful neglect of duty.

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